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DNR enforcement actions

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DES MOINES – DNR staff work with individuals, businesses and communities to help them protect our natural resources by complying with state and federal laws. This approach is very effective. In the few cases where compliance cannot be achieved, the DNR issues enforcement actions. The following list summarizes recent enforcement actions. Find the entire, original orders on DNR's website at www.iowadnr.gov/ EnforcementActions.

Consent Orders

A consent order is issued as an alternative to issuing an administrative order. A consent order indicates that the DNR has voluntarily entered into a legally enforceable agreement with the other party.

Clinton County

Darryl Banowetz

Prevent future discharges, submit and implement a corrective action plan to prevent future discharges, submit monthly freeboard reports and pay a \$5,000 administrative penalty.

Air Quality permits under review

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DES MOINES – The DNR Air Quality Bureau has the following draft permits up for review. The permits help protect lowans' health and the air where we live. DNR's permitting staff review the applications to ensure facilities comply with state and federal air quality standards. The public has the right and is encouraged to comment on draft permits. DNR considers <u>public comments</u> before finalizing the permits. Submit

comments in writing to the assigned permit writer before 4:30 p.m. on the last day of the public comment period.

Title V Operating Permits

Title V Operating permits are reviewed and re-issued every five years. Facilities with a Title V permit have the potential to emit large amounts of air pollutants compared to other facilities. The five-year reviews are a federal requirement and ensure adequate monitoring is included in the permit. The DNR plans to issue Title V Operating Permits for the following facilities. Find permit details at www.iowadnr.gov/titlev-draft.

Guthrie County

POET Biorefining – Coon Rapids – 1015 Grant Avenue, Coon Rapids.

The application was submitted to operate their existing Industrial Organic Chemicals, NEC facility. The public comment period ends Sept. 29.

Construction Permits

DNR engineers review and issue construction permits to facilities before they build new or modified sources of air pollution. The public may review the following air quality construction permits available online at www.iowadnr.gov/airpermitsearch.

Black Hawk County

The University of Northern Iowa – Power Plant – 1901 W. 30th St., Cedar Falls. Project No. 19-162, Installation of a steam injection system for the operation of Boiler #3 combusting natural gas. The public comment period ends Oct. 2.